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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with Members of House Post Office and Civil Service Committee on S. 1035 - 12 February 1968

1. Messrs. Charles E. Johnson, Staff Director, and Bun Benton Bray, Associate Staff Director, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, visited the Agency for approximately two hours. Present from the Agency were: Colonel White, Robert Bannerman, John S. Warner, and [redacted] Admiral Taylor joined the group for a short period. 25X1

2. The first part of the agenda included an abbreviated version of the security indoctrination talk. Thereafter, Colonel White discussed in some detail the recruiting and screening program of the Agency and in particular in relation to certain aspects of S. 1035. Colonel White also gave a very brief explanation of the Agency organization.

3. Mr. Johnson expressed himself clearly that he had no real questions, that he fully understood the need for exemption for the Agency and NSA. After a number of questions, Mr. Bray seemed to hold the same general view. They indicated they did not know when, if ever, any hearings would be held. They thought that the Committee would be sympathetic to the problems of the security agencies. They explicitly stated there would be no problem in holding an executive session so the Director could offer the Agency's viewpoint. Mr. Johnson suggested that if things began to move on the bill it might be desirable to have a private session with Henderson and Gross prior to a Subcommittee hearing.

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4. At the conclusion of the meeting, Mr. Johnson stated he had a number of Central Security Office bills which he needed to analyze and it was agreed we would discuss these with him in the next day or two.

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